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# PENSION CLAIMS.

Commissioner Raum Writes an Interesting and Instructive Letter.

# THE DELAY IN THE SETTLEMENT

Explained.-The Work of the Bureau Done on Business Principles-It Would Interfere with the Plan to Espedite the Settlement of Claims to Give their Status to all Inquirers. The Condition of Matters in the Office Set Forth.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 13,-General Enochs, Member of Congress-elect from the Twelfth Ohio District, came to Washington for the purpose of a consultation with the Commissioner of Pensions as to the seeming delay in the settlement of pension claims, and especially as to the Pension Bureau on alls made by the General as to status of claims, some of his calls being answered promptly and others not for menths, if at all. General Enochs was anxious to know why there was not a uniformity in the answers to his calls for the status of pension claims. In nor the status of pension calinis. In answer Commissioner Raum has writ-ten General Enochs the following in-teresting and instructive letter upon matters pertaining to the settlement of chims in the Bureau of Pensions:

Washington, D. C., Sept. 12. n. W. H. Enochs, Ironton, O.

Date General:—In compliance with your request of this date in regard to certain matters connected with the basiness of the Pension Office, I beg advise you that I have been and am now doing all I can to secure the prompt adjudication of all claims

pending in this bureau.

On the first day of July there were
22,787 claimants prosecuting claims On the first day of July there were 523,787 claimants prosecuting claims before the bureau who have never been pensioned, and there were 395,689 claims pending in the shape of claims for increase of pension and duplicate claims under different laws, making a grand total of 929,426 pending claims. It will be obvious claims under different laws, making a grand total of 1920,426 pending claims. It will be obvious from this statement of the volume of business here that it is practically impossible to bring all those cases to immediate settlement, and they cannot all be taken up at once. I have adoptic ertain rules for the government of the business of the office whereby claims which are complete shall have a right of way and be hurried to the earliest possible settlement. I have ielt, too, that where claimants are already receiving a considerable pension they are not entitled to as great a protein. her are not entitled to as great a pro-portion of the official force working upon their claims for increase of pen-rions as those claimants, old soldiers and widows, who are not drawing pen-

New, in addition to letters of members of congress, the office last year received 1,170,960 communications, from claimants, their friends and attorneys, ing inquiry as to the conditions of those

claims.

You ask why is one congressional call answered sooner than another when they are both filed at the same time. Your calls are answered when the claims are reached in their turn.

By directing the energies of the office to the adjudication of claims and keeping the force steadily at work upon that business, I have at last brought the office up to the adjudication of thirty thousand claims per month. I believe that this can be kept up during the present fiscal year.

present fiscal year.
In fact, I have set the office the task of Issuing 350,000 certificates during the present fiscal year, which will be an in-crease. During the past fiscal year there were received in the office 154,817 communications from members of Congress in regard to pension claims. Searly all the members of both Houses are in correspondence with many damants, and you will observe that an average of more than 300 applications per day for status were received during past fiscal

To draw the claims to which these letters relate and have the examiners from day to day give the status of claims as requested by members would be such an interference with the other business of the bureau that it would be a denial of justice to probably 75,000 or 100,000 pensioners per annum who would other wise receive certificates upon adjudica

tion of their claims.

Where a member of Congress is cognizant of the fact from knowledge or accurate information that an old soldier in such a condition physically or mancially as to render it important hat his claims should have immediate itention, and that fact is brought to attention, and that fact is brought to the notice of the office, I do not hesitate to have the case called up, examined and the status given, and in such cases I would be glad to respond to your

It seems to me that when the veter ans of the war who are your constitu-cats understand the condition of things at the bureau and the efforts that are being made to dispose of their business there will they will counsel patience on all sides. The important thing for every claimant to do is to obtain and farnish the necessary evidence to complete their claims. When this is done piete their claims. When this is done they must give notice of the fact of completion and the claim will be taken up promptly and disposed of as soon as possible. Very truly yours,

GREEN B. RAUM,

Commissioner.

## A MODERN BORGIA.

A Weman Attempts to Poison the Family of the Man Who Jilted Her.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 13.—Another chapter in the Juvenal case was written yesterday, when Dr. Boyle recorded at the Health Office the death of Mrs. J. M. Javenal from arsenical polsoning.

The married life of J. M. Juvenal has been a tragic and stormy one. He first married Miss Margaret Fource, of Russell, Kas. After eight years he got a divorce. Then Juvenal became engaged to be married to Miss Millie Pfiffman, of this place. He jilted her and married Mrs. Anna Baker, a divorced woman. Soon after Juvenal's house was blown up with dynamite and he and his wife barely escaped death. Miss Pfiffman was arrested for the crime and the case against her is still pending. The narried life of J. M. Juvenal has

ing Monday. They drank water from the ice cooler and were both immediately taken violently ill. They did not suspect poisoning, however, and medical assistance relieved them. Tuesday they ate some cakes made from mixed meal and again both were taken violently ill.

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Investigation showed that nearly everything edible in the house had been mixed with arsenic. From the offects of her illness Mrs. Juvenal never recovered, dying this morning at 2 o'clock. Mr. Juvenal, however, has recovered. recovered.

Much mystery surrounds the case. Juvenal says he knows who the guilty persons are, but declines to give their names. Juvenal is resident manager of the Consolidated Tank Line Company and is in comfortable circumstance

#### WAR WITH CHINA

May Be Declared by the British Govern-Answers He Got.

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—The British steamer China arrived early this morning from Hong Kong and Yokohama. She brings advices from China to August 30.

Sir John Wolsom, the British Minister, has protested strongly against the dilatory manner in which the Chinese government dealt with the recent riots, and has put three questions to government asking, first.

the government asking, arise, why an edict on the subject of the riot was not dispatched through the empire by telegram; second, why the Wuhu magistrate who tried to stop the riots was degraded, while his superiors, who did nothing, were not punished; and third, why the punishment of the guilty at Wusuch was delayed. The Chinese Government sent the guestion were not punished; and third, why the punishment of the guilty at Wusuch was delayed. The Chinese Government sent the question

Chinese Government sent the question to His Excellency ld Hung Chang to be answered. Chang replied: First, it is not the custom of China to send edicts by wire; second, the magistrate was degraded for other reasons; and, third, the rioters had been punished, two being executed and the others otherwise punished. Lord Salisbury added to his three questions a demand that Hunan, which is the hotbed of anti-foreign sentiment in China being open to trade, coupled with a threat that if China could not control her own people the foreign powers

her own people the foreign powers would take the matter in hand. To this the Viceroy replies that China is perfectly able to control her own people. The conclusion is that, if able, she must be conclusion is that, if able, she must be unwilling. England action is understood to be backed by other powers, and it is thought force will be used if China is not conciliatory. Over twenty thousand people assembled at Lung Chow in the prayince of Hunan recently to prevent workmen from putting up telegraph lines. Ten thousand poles were burned and the men driven over the boundary. A society has been formed boundary. A society has been formed to keep the telegraph out, and a mob is still on the watch. Great apprehen-sion is felt by the inhabitants of the border districts in Hunan.

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The following advices are from Japan:
On August 16 an American vessel,
name unknown as yet, was wrecked in
Kan No Wa bay. She hud a crew of
seventeen and the captain's wife. All

but two were drowned.

By the recent floods in the Tu Ku Shima prefecture 354 houses were destroyed and over six hundred injured. Two persons were drowned and thirty-one vessels destroyed.

## CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

The big brewers deny that their trust has collapsed.

Universal suffrage will prevail in the coming Chilean Presidential election. Editor De Young, of San Francisco, says California thinks herself entitled

to a Cabinet position.

Mrs. Mark Cohen & Son, a mercantile firm of Sharon, has assigned. Assets, \$20,000; debt not given.

The Panama Star and Herald says the Nicaragua Canal project is as dead as that of the Panama Canal.

The Ingalls coal miners, near Oaklan City, Ind., have struck for an advance in wages of from 35 to 40 cents a ton.

A safe in the store of W. H. Nees at Uniontown, O., near Akron, was blown open by burglars Friday night and open by but \$4,500 taken. Fifty persons on board the Italian

ship Taormina were drowned at the time of the recent collision with the Greek ship Thessalia.

The 100 employes of the Detroit City Glass works are locked out. The men refused to accept a ten per cent reduc-tion in wages.

The abductors of Millionaire Bailey and his friend Albertson—Sullivan, the detective, and his two assistants—have been held for trial.

It is said in Burlington, Ia., that ex-fovernor Gear, of that State, will suc-ceed Judge Coolsy on the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Mrs. Annie Holleuschiedt, imprisoned

for life in Jefferson City, Mo., for the murder of her son-in-law, has served her sentence. She died Friday.

A poverty-stricken Russian Hebrew family, of New York, named Potruch, living in a tenement house, are said to have interested 4.000 cm. living in a tenement hous have inherited \$14,000,000.

The United States Court at McAllister, I. T., has denied the motion to quash indictments against beer venders, thus reversing the action of the lower

A duel was fought in Albany, Ga. several days ago, by Jesse Moore, of Berrien county, and R. P. Fletcher, of Irwin county, from the effects of which Moore has just died. Fletcher has fled.

Richard Hotham, a substantial citi zen of Derry township, Westmoreland county, Pa, was found lying uncon-scious by the roadside near Milwood yesterday morning. It is thought he was stricken with paralysis. He cannot

were killed and sixty wounded by the earthquake. At Comnsagua the loss of life was very great, and of 320 houses only eight are now standing. The shocks still continue, and the coming of the equinox is dreaded.

Of the \$5,000,000 subscribed by the Chicago citizens to the World's Fair, Treasurer Seeberger says \$2,900,000 in round numbers has been collected. When \$40,000 more, which will be Indian was arrested for the crime and the case against her is still pending.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Juvenal the \$500,000 more, which will be within a day or two, has been received, the \$500,000 in bonds voted by the city will become available.

# THE SPOOK PRIESTESS.

Probability that Miss Vera and Diss Debar are Identical

## STRONG PROOF OF THIS FACT.

The Startling Story of the Alleged Kidnapping...What the Catholic Priests in Chicago Say-She Puts on a Bold Front in Cincinnati-She De nies that She is Diss Debar, the Adventuress.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 13.—Little doubt regarding the identity of Vera Ava remains. It is stated but also denied that her brother Solomon, of Louisville, has identified her as his sister, Ann Odelia Diss Debar. She still remains in the House of Detention and shares the office with the matron and spends most of her time on a lounge, which serves as a sofa by day and a bed by night.

It is stated that some persons who saw the woman to-day say that they saw her last Thursday quite early in the day riding on a cable car in this city. At the House of Detention at a later hour to-night officers said she has later hour to-night officers said she has not received any letter or telegram from friends or acquaintances as was naturally to be expected if she were a well known person of large means as she claimed at Chicago she was.

She has put on a bold front here. The following is her story as told to the Superintendent of Police.

THE WOMAN'S STARTLING STORY. "Last Wednesday I called on Arch-bishop Feehan in Chicago in reference to my renouncing the work I had been to my renouncing the work I had been engaged in for years, and after an unsatisfactory interview, he asked me to go to the claurch of the Holy Family in West Twelfth street, Father Kelly's church, as the council would meet there that evening. I persuaded Mrs. Bolton, wife of the minister of the Centenary Methodist Church, to accompany me, and without changing the horses in my carriage (my own carriage and horses), we drove immediately to Father Kelly's church, arriving there at 6:15 o'clock. I instructed my coachman to turn the carriage to the east at 6:15 o'clock. I instructed my coagn-man to turn the carriage to the east and wait for me: I stepped into Father Kelly's study and there found the council in session. There were eight or nine of them and among them Father Fitzgerald and Chancellor Muldoon. The others I did not recognize. After a recapitulation of the old business I was asked to renounce my mission busia recapitulation of the old business I was asked to renounce my mission business and the faith of Dr. Boltons's religion, Methodism, and I was given the ultimatum of doing this or taking the consequences. Seeing the American flag outside, left from labor day, my stalwart conchman and my friend Mrs. Boltons, I refused and felt perfectly safe in doing so.

SEIZED AND RENDERTS

SEIZED AND BENDERED UNCONSCIOUS.

"Then Father Kelly said, 'Do you duty,' and two big, strong men, one of them Father Fitzgerald, seized me and them rather range and the three a cloak over my head, after which I remembered nothing until I found myself in Cincinnati. They say I went out of the church to pray, do they? Anyone who knows anything about this church will know that I could not go from Father Kelly's study into the church."

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When Miss Ava was told that the general belief in New York and Chicago was that she was the lost Madam Diss Debar, she was furious. "Why, what can I say?" she screamed. "What better proof can I give than to say that the \$1,500 camels hair shawl that Mrs. Boltons had on her knees in the carriage when I left her was mine."

It was suggested that she might solve the puzzle by telling where she had been before coming to Chicago. She said that was her affair. Her family was opposed to her leaving the Catholic Church, and she did not desire to go into that matter, as it might involve her in more trouble. She was particularly bitter on Dr. Boltons for not befriending her. efriending her.

WHAT FATHER KELLY SAYS.

A dispatch from Chicago says: Father Kelly, whom the woman ac cuses of complicity in the abduction said to a reporter in reply to her story.
"It is almost too absurd to talk about
The woman came here on that evening
and I saw her alone in the parlor, as would see any other visitor. She had called on me on three different occa-sions before this, and proclaimed her-self to be a Catholic. She has also on several occasions gone through con-fessions in the church. Of course l Iessions in the church. Of course I took it she was a Catholic, and as she appears to know the forms of our church thoroughly, there was no necessity to use force to try to proselytize her."

"What was her special business
Wednesday evening?"
"She merely came to talk over her
scheme for the reformation of destitute and fallen women. She said she was a lady of large means and had a large es-tate in England and a share in Mackay's

"What about her having property in the hands of the Catholic church?"

"She never mentioned such a thing, but spoke of having enormous wealth of her own. She said she had been a nun. She struck one as being a remarkable character. If you spoke only six words to her you would never forgether. She could talk on any subject, and her knowledge seemed world-wide."

PATHER KELLY HAS A WITNESS. Father Kelly was shown the picture

of Miss Debar, and he said it bore a strong resemblance to Miss Ava. He has a witness who saw Miss Ava enter the church from the side door and pass immediately out at the front, carrying the bag in which her jewels were. An-other person saw her get into a carriage which was waiting for her at the corner

and drive away.

Archbishop Feehan, in an interview to-day in regard to Miss Ava said: "I paid but little attention to her talk about erecting institutions and those extensive schemes because I know what extensive schemes because I know what it is to raise up an institution and I thought her ideas were too broad. Her intentions seemed good, and I received her just as I receive anyone who comes during certain hours of the day. That is all I know about the woman. As for her charge against Fathers Kelly and Fitzgerald, it is too ridiculous to com.

mand a second thought. On the face of it no one would believe it and it is so absurd'that I cannot even discuss it. I have never seen Madam Diss Debar, but I have heard of her. She created a sensation in Rome some years ago.
That had to do with the church, too, but I have never seen the woman and could not say whether Miss Ava resembled her or not."

A TELEGRAM FROM INSPECTOR BYRNES The Chief of Police has received the following telegram from Inspector Byrnes, of New York:

The present whereabouts of the Diss Debar woman are unknown. She is is about 43 years of age, is 5 feet 2 inches high, very broad, weight was about 370 pounds when last seen here, which was some months ago. Her complexion is sallow and her features very coarse. She has a large mouth, a double chin and a scar in the shape of a crescent on the cheekbone, under the eye. She has hair sprinkled with gray, and sometimes wears a wig. Usually she wears a cloak. She has a swaggering walk. She speaks with a slight English accent and can also speak a little French. She is rather sympathetic in conversation. She pretends to be a Spiritualist and has tried to pass herself off as a nun. The actions of the woman reported missing in your city are very much like high, very broad, weight was about 370

The actions of the woman reported missing in your city are very much like those of Diss Debar.

A cut of Diss Debar, with the hat and clothing changed with pen and ink to correspond with those worn by Miss Ava, was shown to Father Fitzgerald, Miss Bolton and a number of other people who were acquainted with Miss Ava, and all unhesitatingly pronounce it a good likeness of her.

THE PROOF OF IDENTITY. Further proof of the identity is found in the fact that a well-known gentleman met Diss Debar not long ago, and warned her against trying any o

and warned her against trying any of her confidence games in Chicago. This latter information comes from Mrs. Bolton, who says she is not at liberty yet to disclose all the details.

"I can only say," said she, "that a gentleman met Diss Debar, called her by name and warned her against continuing her schemes, and that this is why Diss Debar has dropped out of sight. Later I may be able to give the details of the meeting."

The Mr. Llewellyn to whom Miss Ava referred in her Cincinnati talk as her "agent" is unknown by any of, the Chicago people who know the mysterious

cago people who know the mysterious woman. Mrs. Bolton had heard of him, but had never seen him. "Miss Ava sometimes spoke of Mr. Llewellyn as her financial agent," said she, "but I know nothing more about him."

#### LATER-WHO IS . SHE?

Vera Ava still remains the heroine of a cunning romantic episode or the victim of a cruel outrage. There is a strong disposition here to regard her as Diss Debar sailing under another name.

Mrs. Bonnell, of New York, who knows
Diss Ddbar, says Miss Ava called on her
last evening and said:

"This is not Diss Debar." To there-

nis is not Diss Decar. To there-presentative of the Associated Press Inte this evening she scouted the Debar the-ory and said, "Witnesses will settle that. Every person that ever knew De-bar will, on seeing me, testify that I am not that woman. Furthermore, there is a more reliable test than human testimony that I am not that woman Debar. I have never had children, and Diss Debar has had sey-

children, and Diss Debar has had several. An examination by competent physicians will prove beyond a possibility of doubt that I am not a woman that has given birth to children, and therefore cannot be Diss Debar."

This morning she was visited by a committee of religious women from the woman's tomperance union. She led in prayer, and afterward thrilled them with her eloquence, taking for her text the condition of some mere children that occupied cells in the House of Detention.

The representative of the Associated

Detention.

The representative of the Associated Press this evening asked her why she did not make known the names of her friends in London so that she might get help from them. She said: "I have my reasons for that. I have a right to expect help from Dr. Bolton. It was only last Sunday night that my money was more than one-third of all that went into his contribution box. Then she broke out into a denunciation of Dr. Bolton, accusing him of ingrati-tude and unfaithfulness in not coming

to her aid.

Recovering composure, she said: think I shall lecture here some time this week in this dress and just as I am, in my stocking feet. I think I can raise money in that way to get back to Chicago." Chicago."

## A REMARKABLE WOMAN.

Just then she arranged her calico dress somewhat and throwing a sack of heavy black crape around her neck she said: "This is all that is left of the woman I killed or tried to kill, on Friday when I made my escape. I intend to keep this as long as I live and I hope to be buried in it when I die." Then she drifted away into talk about her scheme to lift childhood out of the slums. of the slums.

In this connection she said Arch in this connection and said said Affabilishop Feehan was displeased with her, not on account of her effort to elevate the wretched but because she took the poor children to Dr. Bolton's congregation. In all her conversation her voice gation. In all her conversation her votes was clear, her enunciation perfect, her story consecutive and her language fluent, and well put together in vigorous English. In all the phases of feeling that she exhibited she showed the most perfect self control, and at the same time impressed one that she held arrears of powers in reserve.

## Reciprocity Has Come to Stay.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13 .- Manuel L. Morales, minister from San Salvador to the United States, arrived last night on the steamer San Juan. He is on the way to Washington as a special envoy way to Washington as a special envoy to negotiate a reciprocity treaty between the United States and San Salvador. He stated San Salvador was the first Central American republic to take this step, but he believed others would soon follow. The trade of those countries with the United States had become very large.

Sunday's Base Ball, At Milwaukee-Milwaukee 7; Ath-

At Louisville—Louisville 6; Boston 3.
At Columbus—Columbus 5; Washington 2. Second game: Columbus 1:
Washington 2.
Vasington 2. At St. Louis St. Louis 14; Balti-

# THE REUNION

Of Old Soldiers at Fairmont One of

## SINCE THE CLOSE OF THE WAR.

Three Days Spent by the Veteran Boys in Blue Together-Seven Thousand People Assembled on One Day. Gray-haired Fathers of the State Honored-Manisby's Famous Battery Reunion-Notes and Echoes.

FAIRMONT, Sept. 13.—The Soldiers' Reunion which from the beginning has been such a grand success closed last evening, and the outgoing trains and

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

hundreds of vehicles are carrying the veterans and their friends to their homes, although many will remain a few days longer. There seems to be but one general expression concerning the reunion, and that is that it has far exceeded the expectations of its most sanguine promoters. The weather was most favorable; the surroundings very pleasant, and the speakers, brilliant and entertaining. Elements and circum-stances seemed to unite in one contralizstances seemed to unite in one contraliz-ing influence for the success of the occasion. With athree days programme and some of the speakers traveling more than three hundred miles, there was not a hitch excepting from the detention over night at Wheeling of Prof. Wee-den, who directed the vocal music. Everything was carried out as outlined some days before, nothing occurring to change the order of exercises or mar some days before, nothing occurring to change the order of exercises or mar the harmony of the arrangements. The members of Meade Post have reason to be proud, as they are, and are receiving congratulations on every side. This post numbers one hundred and forty-one members, most of them being present, and every man did his duty. The citizens, too, aided in the work, and by their encouragement and "sinews of war" made it possible to reach success. The post is greatly indebted to Mr. Lee Reinheimer, who canvassed the town for financial aid, and who furnished 5,000 beautiful programmes for the occasion.

occasion. SATURDAY'S PROGRAMME.

The exercises of yesterday began with a procession to the Fair Grounds led by the society of Maulsby's Battery. While the attendance was not near so large as the attendance was not near so large as that of Friday, still the enthusiasm was nnabated, the speakers all receiving hearty and prolonged applause. In the forencon ex-Governor Pierpont and Colonel W. W. Granger addressed the assembly, and in the afternoon Hon. W. P. Hopburn, Solicitor of the United States Treasury, Washington; Captain B. B. Dovener, of Wheeling, and John W. Mason, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and a member of Mauls-Revenue, and a member of Maula-by's Battery, spoke to the attentive multitude. Mr. Hepburn spoke for more than an hour regarding some of the issues of the day—even the perils that threaten us from unrestricted imthat threaten us from unrestricted immigration and the prevalence of ignorance and vice. He said the Union soldiers had settled many very important questions, but that others remained to be settled either by us or our children. The address throughout was full of high patriotic sentiment, delivered in a very entertaining manner, and faultless as for rhetoric. as to rhetoric.

## DOVENER AND MASON.

Capt. Dovener roused the boys as he always does by his earnest and touching manner. He referred to the bravery of the West Virginia soldiers, to their connection with the Army of the Potomac, and closed by urging all soldiers who have not yet done so to join the Grand Army of the Republic, "the most honorable organization upon the face of the

Mr. Mason did not speak long, arr. Mason did not speak long, our urged all the soldiers to go to Washing-ton next year to attend the National Encampment, and march down Pennsylvania avenue, a victorious host as

Prof. Weeden having gone home, the vocal music of the afternoon was under the direction of Comrade Thos. Swisher,

the direction of Comrade Thos. Swisher, of the battery, who led in several splendid choruses. His singing of "His Faded Coat of Blue," brought tears to many eyes, and was heartily applauded. Captain Dovener proposed three rousing cheers each for Captain Maulsby and Col. R. E. Fleming, who are absent in the government service in Massachusetts. The same were given for Thomas C. Miller, commander of Meade Post, who largely had the direction of affairs throughout the reunion. The doxology was then sung and 'Rev. W. H. Wiley closed with a prayer and the benediction, and thus ended what many say have been the three most pleasant say have been the three most pleasandays of their lives. Many of the old comrades marched off singing "Marching through Georgia."

NOTES AND ECHOES The camp-fire at Armory Hall on

Thursday night was a great meeting. Men of large experience have charac terized it as one of the most remarka ble gatherings, in some respects, they ever attended. A thousand people, most of them Union soldiers, listend for three hours to inspiring addresses and music. The meeting had even a devo-tional feature that was prominent. tional feature that was prominent.

During the invocation by Dr. W. R.
White the amens and ejaculations
were so frequent and so loud as to remind one of an old-time camp meeting.

What a picture presented itself on the
stage! There sat a number of men who stage! There sat a number of men who had largely been instrumental in saving Western Virginia to the Union—ex-Governor F. H. Pierpont, ex-Senator W. T. Willey, General I. H. Duval, Colonel George R. Latham, Rev. J. W.

Colonel George R. Latham, Rev. J. W. Reger, Colonels Joseph Snider and J. H. Lockwood, Dr. W. R. White, Major J. B. Morris and others. They will not likely all be together again in this life. Governor Pierpont was easily the hero of the reunion. Although he spoke a number of times, he was called upon almost every time a speaker sat down. Many of the soldiers had not seen him since the war, and were very anxious to hear of his experiences during those trying times of '61-'62 when anxious to hear of his experiences during those trying times of '61-62 when he was at the helm. There is a general desire that the venerable ex-Governor shall commit to writing the very valuable unwritten history in which he played such an important part.

Hon. W. T. Willey, "the old man eloquent," although just reaching his four

score years, has lost none of his old time fire and vigor of manner. It was really touching when he turned to Governor Pierpont and said, "Governor, they saw we'are old now, but I feel tonight as if you were Frank and I am Waite. Yes, with Holmes, 'We are boys' onco more."

On Friday General S. H. Hurst, of Chillicothe, Ohio, spoke to an audience of about 7,000. It was a masterly presentation relating to the educating influences of the war. The comrades of

fluences of the war. The comrades of this department want to see General Hurst made commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. next year.

#### AFFECTING SCENES.

Private Dalzell gave a number of short talks which were well received by the boys, and his little daughter Bertha just captured the audience by singing "At Sheridan's Grave." Her older eister also received a cordial reception in her beautiful recitation, "Why we wear the G. A. R. badge." When Prof. the G. A. R. badge." When Prof. Weeden sang "We Old Boys" there were not many dry eyes among the old

soldiers.

The old organizations most numerous-The old organizations most numerously represented were the first, Third and Sixth cavalry, with about one hundred men in all; the Sixth infantry about 100, Seventh 55, Twelfth 45; Fourteenth 115, Maulsley's battery 65 and some from nearly every other West Virginia regiment, while there were many soldiers who had served in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Indiana regiments.

Many parted with the determination to meet at Washington next year, at the time of the National Encampment. It is expected also that the monuments to West Virginia regiments who took part in the great struggle at Gettysburg will be dedicated about that time.

F. E. N.

### BURNED THEIR HOUSE,

Disreputable Martinsburg Family Burned Out.
Special Dispatch to the Intelligence

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Sept. 13.—A. mob of about 150 people attacked the residence of a family named Betts in this city last night and in half an hour's time completely demolished . it, hardly giving the family time to move what little furniture they had out. The what hitle intriture they and out. Ins-members of the family are all disrepu-table characters, and numerous at-tempts have been made on the part of the citizens to rid the city of the fam-ily, but their obstinacy repelled every effort. The owner of the house could not by any peaceable means get rid of them. Hence the resort to the above described means. described means

### DIED OF THE FEVER.

Principal Tapp, of the Glenville State Normal School, Dies at Morgantown— President Turner III. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

Morgantown, W. Va., Sept. 13 .- Professor R. W. Tapp, principal of the Glenville State Normal School, died here this morning of typhoid fever. Dr. E. M. Turner, President of the State University, is confined with the fever. The attendance at the university is the largest in its history.

## FLOODS AND EARTHQUAKES.

Latest News From the South-Minister Egan Scoops all the Other Members of the Diplomatic Corps in Chile. New York, Sept. 13.—The Herald has

these cable dispatches: San Salvador, Sept. 13.—The waters

in Pago Jutepeque, or Illabasco Lake, as it is variously known, keeps on rising. The workmen sent by the government to open an outlet to the ocean are still hard at work.

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The shocks continue to be felt at irregular intervals. The earthquake of September 8 was experienced all over the country. The material losses are estimated at \$500,000, although this

estimated at \$000,000, atthough this seems a low figure.

News was received here from Guatemala City that ex-Vice President Dr. Rafael Avola had been accidentally shot and killed while attempting to separate two of his friends who were engaged in a quarrel.

## SEARCH FOR HALMACEDA.

VALPARATSO, Sept. 13,-The police authorities are still prosecuting a vigorous search through Santiago for the fugitive ex-President Balmaceda. It is now the general belief that he is in hiding in some of the monasteries. Several of these institutions have already been visited by the police, but so far no trace of Balmaceda has been discovered. In spite of this inct rumors gain ground that he has found protection under

clerical wings.

There is no truth whatever in the report about an Indian uprising. The story evidently had its origin in the pillaging of Coronel by miners.

EGAN SCOOPED THEM ALL.

The foreign ministers are much chagrined at the promptitude displayed by Minister Egan in scoring a point in behalf of the United States in recognizing the Junta's authority ahead of any other nation.

severe earthquake shocks oc-Two severe earthquake shocks oc-curred here this morning. The first was experienced at twenty minutes to eight and created general alarm. It was of a few seconds duration.

Before the people had recovered from their fright, a second shock took place at a quarter to eight. It was feared that they were only the forerunners of more serious shocks, but happily none other

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Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Vinginia fair on Monday, with alightly cooler northerly winds.

For Western Fennsylvania, fair on Monday, northerly winds, cooler except stationary temperature on the lake.

For Ohio northerly; winds alightly cooler except in extreme southwest portion; stationary temperature. Weather Forecast for To-day,

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